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Presented for filing is a new continuation-in-part patent application of:

Applicant: LIEPING CHEN

Title: B7-H1, A NOVEL IMMUNOREGULATORY MOLECULE

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR 1.53(b):

	<u>Pages</u>
Specification	42
Claims	5
Abstract	1
Declaration	2 (unsigned)
Drawing(s)	24

Enclosures:

- Postcard;
- Copy of Small Entity Statement filed in the parent application.

This application is a continuation-in-part (and claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC 120) of U.S. application serial no. 09/451,291, filed November 30, 1999. The disclosure of the prior application is considered part of (and is incorporated by reference in) the disclosure of this application.

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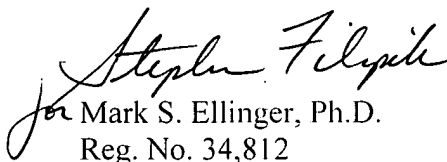
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